Dear Ernest. June 16th

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We spent a lovely Sunday at Nan's, & found Syd at the C. B. & Q. Depot taking the same train to Clyde. He got home on Saturday night, and took a room at the North side. Being children's day, & wonderful things going on at the M. E, we stayed all night and this morning I went to Hinsdale to see Mrs Bennett. I had a very long walk, & found a very sad house. She is able to be about but her hands are still in a terrible cooked condition almost helpless. I stayed to lunch, & followed the Capt home on the 3.45 to Oak Park, found a

message awaiting me from Grenville that he wanted to see me at once, so rushed up to the Castello, & found the sunk man awaiting an interview as the painters anxious to have the color decided on, and the carpenters wanting directions regarding closet fregs etc. What fun, & only gone 2 hours of a working day. If you have any suggestions to make regarding the outside color, please send or ring better telegraph me right away. What a bigger responsibility than ever. I rushed back to cook supper as Jess & I had had no dinner, & Uncle Lyley was coming out. He & Jess are playing chess while I write. Miller started today for Kansas City I don't know for how long. The letter which arrived this afternoon with mine for Jess had a birthday look, so I smuggled them away till tomorrow morn. He is going to have Burgess & Balfour out to supper tomorrow, & stay all night and Saturday being a more convenient for all the boys, we are going to meet at Douglas Park for a picnic. Great doings at B Bys yesterday. The church meeting were held there & the entire congregation filed down fast. Afternoon & evening. When Charlie stopped to shake hands I asked him "What was the chief end of man?" Of course I saw nothing of any

of the family except Gilbert who just stopped & shook hands, but I dont think he was glad to see us as he was not supposed to be in at the store. I saw a letter awaiting him there this afternoon from you. A baby was baptized down there yesterday, whose parents Mr R & Lee married I think he felt it a good deal. Three of Sarahs children were in the exercises at M Bethel church, which were under Carries direction & went off grandly. Will was in St Louis & Syd at Benton Harbor. Not a word yet from Miss Flanigan I do not some how think you will leave before the last of June, you see all the house matters will be decided in a week or so, & then will be no need of your hurrying. I am getting more broken in to the work every day, & hope to

to have domestic matters
regulated before you come.
Carrie Nan & Edith were all
about sick yesterday
with headache. She rest
from home anxiety did
one good, & I came home
today feeling renewed
spirit to tackle things.
I hope Dickey birdeen
spent a pleasant birthday
we talked a good deal
about her, & you all.
Glyde was very sweet & pleasant
yesterday all roses
syringas and white dresses.
Does Grace know that
Carrie passed that
physiology exam, & Miss
Sillinman did not. What
a wonder my precious
little namesake is.
I hear nothing further
about Allan. Will
I believe is better. Apple
river folks are still there

Did I tell you that Dennett was going to the sea for a few months then to Halifax & then going to take a small farm into the City. The dear old gentleman does things in most beautiful order for a man of his years, notwithstanding his embarassment he has his thoughts about him & is quite tone hearing. Dora is the dear Darling. Old Mrs Woodward and Sarah to see her. The other day Sir Hall not heard that Mr Bruce gone from home & asked Miller what he was Miller thought from Exeter he had only heard of Hall in his life What a mistake was supposed the people there is no telling what shame for her it might have caused her I heard of an old lady the Grace at Sunderland

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